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21-393 Operations Research II
Test 1

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Q1: (33pts)

Solve the following linear program for all values of λ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimise} && x_1 & + & x_2 \\ & \text{subject to} && x_1 & + & 2x_2 & \geq & 3 - \lambda \\ & && 2x_1 & - & x_2 & \geq & 2 - \lambda \\ & && x_1, x_2 & \geq & 0. \end{aligned}$$

[Hint: start computation with the all slack basis.]

Q2: (33pts)

Solve the following integer program:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximise} & 4x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 4 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 5 \end{array}$$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ and integer.

Q3: (34pts)

Formulate the following as an integer program:

Suppose that a state sends R persons to the U.S. House of Representatives. There are $D > R$ counties in the state and the state legislature wants to group these counties into R distinct electoral districts, each of which sends a delegate to Congress. The total population of the state is P , and the legislature wants to form districts whose population approximates $p = P/R$. Suppose that the appropriate legislative committee studying the electoral districting problem generates a long list of $N > R$ candidates to be districts. Each of the candidates contains contiguous counties and the total population of candidate j is p_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$. Define $c_j = |p_j - p|$ and

$$a_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if county } i \text{ is included in candidate } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Given the values of $c_j, a_{i,j}$, the objective is to select R of these candidates such that each county is contained in a single district and such that the largest of the associated c_j is as small as possible.